IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re	U.S. Patent Application of Kevin N. Taylor)	Attorney Docket No.: 007412.00104
)	Group Art Unit: 2477
Application No. 10/570,831)	
)	Examiner: Zhou, Yong
Filed: 02/05/2007)	
)	Confirmation No. 8780
For:	Method and system for out-of-band)	
	messaging between customer)	
	premises equipment and a cable)	
	modem termination system)	

AMENDMENT

Mail Stop RCE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the final Office Action dated December 8, 2009, please enter the following response. Applicants are requesting continued examination under 37 CFR § 1.114. The Examiner set a three-month period for response, thus making this Amendment due on or before March 8, 2010. If any additional fees are required or if an overpayment is made, the Commissioner is authorized to debit or credit our Deposit Account No. 19-0733, accordingly.

Please amend this application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the Listing of Claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.